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APPLICANTS: Herbert BRUDER et al CONFIRMATION NO.: 6094
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TITLE: "IMAGING TOMOGRAPHY DEVICE WITH AT LEAST TWO
BEAM DETECTOR SYSTEMS, AND METHOD TO OPERATE
SUCH A TOMOGRAPHY DEVICE"

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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants request that citation and examination of the following documents be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced application for United States Letters Patent.

- AA United States Patent No. 6,421,412
- AB United States Patent No. 5,966,422
- AC United States Patent No. 5,195,112
- AD United States Patent No. 4,991,190
- AE United States Patent No. 4,384,359
- AF United States Patent No. 4,196,352
- AU "Efficient Object Scatter Correction Algorithm for Third and Fourth Generation CT Scanners," Ohnesorge et al," European Radiological Conference 1997, Published in Eur. Radiol. 9 (1999) pages 563-569

EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

The German counterpart to Reference AC was cited by the German Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the counterpart German application. All of the other references were identified and discussed at pages 1-3 of the present application, and Applicants stand by the statements in the specification concerning the teachings of these references.

Applicants also wish to call the Examiner's attention to two copending applications. Serial No. 10/762,795 was filed on the same date as the present application and is assigned to the same assignee, Siemens Aktiengesellschaft, and also is pending in Group 2882. Serial No. 10/762,697 also was filed on the same day as the present application and is assigned to the same assignee, Siemens, and is under examination in Group 2882. These applications disclose subject matter related to the subject matter of the present application, but the three applications have patentably distinct sets of claims.

Copies of each of the above references together with Form 1449 are submitted herewith.

As of the date of mailing of this Information Disclosure Statement, an Action on the merits has not been received in connection with this application. This Information Disclosure Statement is therefore in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3), and no fee is necessary.

All claims of the application are submitted to be patentable over the teachings of the above references, taken singly or in combination. Early consideration of the application is therefore respectfully requested.

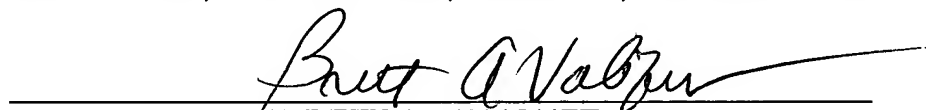
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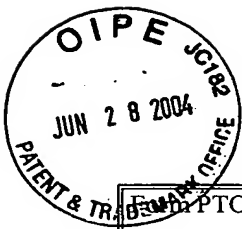
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